



## Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

1400 South 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Bozeman, MT 59718

April 6, 2018

To: R3 Standard Distribution List

Ladies and Gentlemen,

The enclosed Decision Notice has been prepared for the proposed acquisition of a Recreational Use Permit from Montana Department of Transportation on 0.79 acres of land in Dillon, MT, to facilitate the development of a Fishing Access Site (FAS) on the Beaverhead River in Dillon, MT. The property sits on the east side of the Beaverhead River adjacent to Selway Bridge on the north side of Dillon.

FWP received four (4) comments regarding the proposed action during the 30-day public comment period; these four comments supported the proposal.

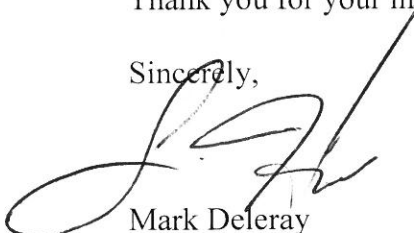
Based on the Environmental Assessment, public comment, and FWP evaluation, it is my decision to proceed with the Preferred Alternative action as described in the Selway Bridge Fishing Access Site Cooperative Agreement and Improvement Project Draft Environmental Assessment.

Questions regarding this Decision Notice should be directed to:

Ray Heagney  
Fishing Access Site Manager  
1400 S 19<sup>th</sup> Ave  
Bozeman, MT 59718  
406-994-6987  
Or emailed to : [rheagney@mt.gov](mailto:rheagney@mt.gov)

Thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

 for MARK Deleray  
Mark Deleray  
Region Three Supervisor



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## **ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT DECISION NOTICE**

### **SELWAY FISHING ACCESS SITE PROPOSED RIGHT-OF-WAY CONVEYANCE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT**

**Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks  
Region Three, Bozeman  
April 6, 2018**

#### **Proposed Action**

Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP) proposes acquisition of a Recreational Use Permit from Montana Department of Transportation on 0.79 acres of land in Dillon, MT, to facilitate the development of a Fishing Access Site (FAS) on the Beaverhead River in Dillon, MT. The property sits on the east side of the Beaverhead River adjacent to Selway Bridge on the north side of Dillon.

#### **Montana Environmental Policy Act**

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks is required by the Montana Environmental Policy Act (MEPA) to assess significant potential impacts of a proposed action to the human and physical environment. In compliance with MEPA, an Environmental Assessment (EA) was completed for the proposed project by FWP and released for public comment on January 11, 2018.

Public comments on the proposed project were taken from March 5 through April 4, 2018. The EA was mailed to 38 groups and individuals.

#### **Summary of Public Comment**

FWP received four (4) comments regarding the proposed action; the comments supported the proposal.

**Comments supporting the proposed project: four (4) total.**

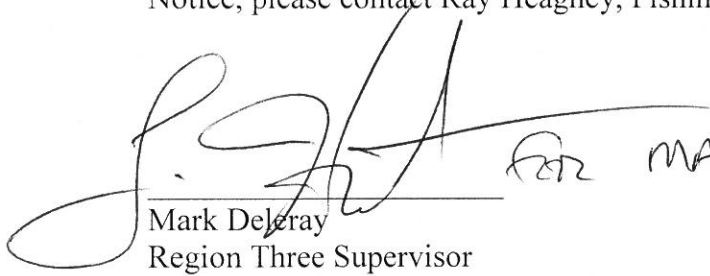
**No Comment opposing the proposed project.**

**Decision**

Based on the Environmental Assessment, public comment, and FWP evaluation, it is my decision to proceed with the Preferred Alternative action as described in the Selway Fishing Access Site Draft EA, through a Recreational Use Permit from Montana Department of Transportation on 0.79 acres of land in Dillon, MT.

**Appeal**

This project is subject to appeal, which must be submitted to the FWP Director (Martha Williams, Director, Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks, PO Box 200701, Helena, MT 59620-0701) in writing and postmarked within 30 days of the date on this Decision Notice. The appeal must specifically describe the basis for the appeal, explain how the appellant has previously commented to the department or participated in the decision-making process, and lay out how FWP may address the concerns in the appeal. If you have questions regarding this Decision Notice, please contact Ray Heagney, Fishing Access Site Manager at 406-994-6987.



Mark DeJera  
Region Three Supervisor

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